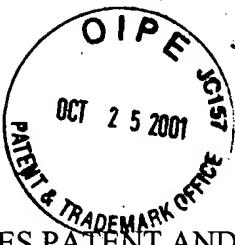


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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
TERUYOSHI WASHIZAWA) : Examiner: G. Desire
Application No.: 09/312,841) : Group Art Unit: 2621
Filed: May 17, 1999) :
For: IMAGE PROCESSING) :
APPARATUS AND METHOD) : October 24, 2001

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REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL OF ERRONEOUS ABANDONMENT

Sir:

Applicant has received a Notice Of Abandonment advising that the above-identified application has been abandoned for failure to timely respond to the Office Action mailed on March 27, 2001.

Enclosed are copies of an Amendment Transmittal, a Petition for a three-month extension of time (June 27, 2001 to September 27, 2001) and an Amendment, all of which bear a Certificate Of Mailing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.8. The Certificate Of Mailing certifies that these papers were timely deposited with the United States Postal Service on September 27, 2001. Also enclosed are copies of a check in the amount of \$890.00 for the extension fee and a PTO-stamped postcard listing the aforementioned documents.

The above documents were received in the USPTO mailroom on October 1, 2001, as evidenced by a PTO-stamped postcard bearing that date, a copy of which is enclosed.

Based on the foregoing, Applicant submits that the abandonment of the subject application is erroneous, and therefore withdrawal of the Notice Of Abandonment is respectfully requested.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, CA office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,



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